

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FIRST REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF JUNE

Minutes of Monday, June 8, 2009

Mayor Kris Wasowicz called the Meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Village Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are President Kris Wasowicz, Trustees: Michael Murray, Jeff Kranig, John Fairman, Mary McGee, Kinga Bartoszek and Phil DePaola.

PLEDGE:

President Wasowicz led the Village Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the minutes of the 05/11/09 Sine Die Board Meeting and the Regular Board Meeting of 05/11/09 as submitted or if necessary, as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Fairman

VOTE: Trustees Murray, Kranig, Fairman, McGee, Bartoszek and DePaola, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the minutes of the 05/18/09 Special Board Meeting, the 05/26/09 Regular Board Meeting and the 06/01/09 Special Board Meeting as submitted or if necessary, as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Murray so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

VOTE: Trustees Kranig, Fairman, McGee, Bartoszek, DePaola and Murray, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the appointment of Zarzour & Garrette as Village Counsel until April 30, 2010, or until such time and their successors have been duly appointed.

MOTION: Trustee Murray so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

VOTE: Trustees Fairman, McGee, Bartoszek, DePaola, Murray and Kranig, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the execution of a Separation Agreement.

MOTION: Trustee DePaola so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee McGee

VOTE: Trustees McGee, Bartoszek, DePaola, Murray, Kranig and Fairman, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the creation of a **Reorganization Committee** as a Standing Committee of the Village Board and hereby assign, Kinga Bartoszek, Mary McGee and Phil DePaola to serve on that committee until April 30, 2010.

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee DePaola

Trustee Kranig stated that he understood that Mayor Wasowicz would chair this particular committee.

Mayor Wasowicz agreed that indeed, he would act as the official chairperson.

VOTE: Trustees Bartoszek, DePaola, Murray, Kranig, Fairman and McGee, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the “*Schedule of Appointments*” as proposed for the various positions and committees as attached as *Exhibit 1*, and to specifically vacate the offices of Village Treasurer and Building Commissioner.

MOTION: Trustee Murray so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee DePaola

VOTE: Trustees DePaola, Murray, Kranig, Fairman, McGee and Bartoszek, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

VILLAGE CLERK’S REPORT:

Reminder: The Summer Art Fair is scheduled for June 28, 2009, at the Lipinski Community Center from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. We need additional participants to proceed with the show.

Vehicle tags for the 2009-2010 year are now on sale now and many are purchasing their tags. Please remember, the new stickers must be displayed by June 30, 2009.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE AND INSURANCE: - Trustee Kinga Bartoszek

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve payables numbers 1-50 in the amount of \$27,393.26, posted for the period of 05/19/2009 – 06/02/2009, plus re-occurring expenses of \$96,330.82, TIF #1 expenses of \$252.07, TIF #2 expenses of \$8,987.84, and MFT Expenses of \$7,900.29, for a total of \$140,864.28.

SECOND: Trustee McGee

VOTE: Trustees Murray, Kranig, Fairman, McGee, Bartoszek and DePaola, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC UTILITIES – Trustee John Fairman

MOTION: Trustee Fairman Moves: To approve the hire of four, seasonal, part-time employees for Public Works at \$10.00 per hour, contingent upon passage of a drug screen and being at least 18 years of age.

SECOND: Trustee DePaola

VOTE: Trustees Kranig, Fairman, McGee, Bartoszek, DePaola and Murray, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Public Works is working on 80th and 84th Street and have mowed many of the foreclosed or abandoned properties.

The part-time employees have not been chosen yet, so if you know a young person who is looking for summer employment, applications are still available. We would like to have all areas of the Village represented.

Chipping in ongoing but as usual is dependent on the weather.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Trustee Mary McGee

MOTION: Trustee McGee Moves: To approve an Intergovernmental Agreement by and Between the Village of Bridgeview On Behalf of the Bridgeview Emergency Management Agency and the Village of Justice, Cook County, Illinois.

SECOND: Trustee DePaola

VOTE: Trustees Fairman McGee, Bartoszek, DePaola, Murray and Kranig, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee McGee read a report from Chief Bob Gedville: **To aid the Justice Police Department in the prevention of crime and increase our neighborhood’s general security & safety, we have initiated a Neighborhood Watch Program. Neighborhood Watch is a partnership between neighbors and the Justice Police Department to improve safety and prevent crime. Forming a Neighborhood Watch group on your block is the first step to making and keeping your neighborhood safe.**

We are still seeking Block Captains. The next meeting will take place at the Village Hall on Thursday, June 25th at 7:00 PM. Officer Anthony DeBella will be the meeting coordinator as well as the program administrator.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING & RECREATION – Trustee Kranig

Trustee Kranig reported that it was decided at a recent meeting that we would hire a contractor to coordinate the structural repairs to be performed at the Lipinski Community Center. The structural work will be bid. Bid documents should be available in the next several weeks.

Trustee Kranig asked Gerry Mendralla to give a report on the progress of the Fest. Plans for the Fest are coming along nicely. Planning has been underway since

February. A band was booked after being auditioned at their performance at the St. Joseph's Carnival.

Ed Marcin from Clear Channel has assured us that we will receive plenty of board-time on the electronic billboard to advertise for the fest. Mr. Marcin suggested we advertise individual entertainment acts from August 1st on to encourage attendance based on the type of entertainment being featured.

We are still looking for volunteers, especially to monitor the grounds, perform clean up duties and for ticket sales.

Food vendor applications are out and one is already accepted. The crafter applications were mailed and we should be hearing from some of them, soon.

If anyone is interested in signing up to see beer tickets, please contact Melanie Kuban.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING –Trustee DePaola

MOTION: Trustee DePaola Moves: To approve the Business License of Shear Ambience, a hair styling salon, doing business at 8519 S. 88th Ave in Justice, on a temporary basis until the electrical meter and cabinet is relocated.

SECOND: Trustee Fairman

VOTE: Trustees DePaola, Murray, Kranig, Fairman, McGee and Bartoszek, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee DePaola Moves: To approve the Home Occupation License of Diamond Cleaning Services doing business at 7306 S. 86th Ave. in Justice, having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

SECOND: Trustee McGee

VOTE: Trustees Murray, Kranig, Fairman, McGee, Bartoszek and DePaola, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Mike Murray

Trustee Murray stated that the owner of the building that Shear Ambience resides in was contacted by the Building Department staff regarding the relocation of the electric box. He is on notice.

Trustee Murray and Trustee Fairman heard a number of complaints regarding safety issues at a recent fire in the apartment complex.

Trustee Murray is following those complaints and inspections are being scheduled. Since there was a report of a mold problem, we have contacted the County to assess the existence of a mold problem. We do not have the necessary equipment to perform that assessment.

Trustee Fairman asked if the landlord of the 88th Ave. building that houses Shear Ambience was fined for the electrical deficiencies. At this time, he has not been fined.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY:

Attorney Tom Garrette thanked Mayor Wasowicz and the Board for the confidence they have shown in him.

A Motion for an Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal on specific employees will be necessary later in the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

**Committee Meetings will begin at 7:00 pm. and follow consecutively
Wednesday, June 17, 2009**

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Posted payables, the 2008 Bond Abatement ordinance and other matters before the committee.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: A presentation by See Smart regarding LED/Solar Streetlights, removable speed bumps, and other matters before the committee.

BUILDING, PLATS & ZONING: Matters before the committee.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING: Any new business licenses, code amendments or ordinances available for review, in particular, the increase in local ordinance violation fines and fees.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Matters before the committee.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING & RECREATION: Any matters before the committee including a Fest update, the Centennial Committee and the creation of a Complete Count Committee for the 2010 Census.

POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION: To consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees. (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1))

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mrs. Edwina Gaskin asked about the Separation Agreement that was enacted. President Wasowicz replied that we are in the process of reorganizing the finance and administration departments and that reorganization required vacating the office of Village Collector, so a separation agreement was required.

Mrs. Gaskin asked what a Reorganization Committee is. President Wasowicz answered that it is a committee formed to evaluate and reorganize all of the departments of the Village. We will be looking for ways to improve and streamline the efficiency of our day-to-day operations.

Mrs. Gaskin then asked why the Schedule of Appointments was not attached to the agenda.

The schedule will be attached to the minutes.

Mr. Mike Maruszak commented that PACE has finished Phase III of the route re-designation plan. The 379 route will run at a 10 and 40 minute after the hour schedule. There were 19 bus routes changed. New schedules are forthcoming.

Mr. Jim Rinkus asked about the appointment of Tom Garrette as Village Attorney, and will we save money?

Mayor Wasowicz stated that after reviewing many proposals for legal service, Zarzour & Garrette was chosen to be the Village Attorneys. We were not happy with our previous representation and yes, we should save money.

Mr. Rinkus asked what the cost of our legal services usually ran per year. Clerk Svoboda said around \$180,000.00.

Mr. Vincent Centano asked if the re-organization committee members were paid for their service on this committee.

They are not.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To adjourn to Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees. (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1))

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek so MOVES
SECOND: Trustee McGee

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 8:03 pm.

President Wasowicz reconvened the Meeting at 8:17 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Village Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are President Kris Wasowicz, Trustees: Michael Murray, Jeff Kranig, John Fairman, Mary McGee, Kinga Bartoszek, Phil DePaola and Attorney Tom Garrette.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn

MOTION: Trustee DePaola so MOVES:

SECOND: Trustee Fairman

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen M. Svoboda
Village Clerk